

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>	:	
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<b>Plaintiff,</b>	:	
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<b>vs.</b>	:	<b>Case No. 1:20-cr-142</b>
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<b>ALEXANDER ("P.G.") SITTENFELD,</b>	:	<b>JUDGE DOUGLAS R. COLE</b>
	:	
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	

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**MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL**

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Now comes Counsel for Defendant Alexander (aka P.G.) Sittenfeld ("Sittenfeld"), Diane M. Menashe, and hereby asks this Court to permit her, pursuant to S.D. Ohio Crim. R. 83.4(c)(2), to withdraw as counsel. The reason for this request is more fully stated in the attached memorandum in support.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT**

On November 16, 2020, undersigned counsel was retained by Sittenfeld. On November 19, 2020, undersigned counsel and Sittenfeld appeared at the initial hearing and arraignment. The following day, on November 20, 2020, it became apparent, based on ongoing communication between undersigned counsel and Sittenfeld, that there is a breakdown in attorney-client communication. At this time, the attorney-client relationship is irreparable.

Under, S.D. Ohio Crim. R. 83.4(c)(2), a motion to withdraw shall meet the following requirements:

(1) it must be served upon the client, and the certificate of service must so state; (2) it must assert that good cause, as defined by the Rules of Professional Conduct, exists to permit the withdrawal; and (3) it must be accompanied by an affidavit or other evidence supporting the assertion of good cause. If the evidence relied upon in support of the motion would be detrimental to the client's interest if disclosed to the other parties, the withdrawing attorney shall move for an order that the evidence be filed in camera and under seal.

Based upon the foregoing it would be impossible for undersigned counsel to continue with representation of Sittenfeld. Therefore, having shown good cause, provided evidence by way of a memorandum in support of this motion, and having served this motion upon the client, Sittenfeld, undersigned counsel moves this Court to withdraw and respectfully requests this Court to grant the same.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion to Withdraw as Counsel was delivered on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020 by the Clerk's ECF/CM electronic transmission system to the following:

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